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### Background

1. After the Chinese Communists assumed authority in Sinkiang Province [REDACTED] the Chinese Communist 5 Army attacked the Kazakh anti-Communist guerrillas under Osman.<sup>1</sup> As a result of this attack, about 1,200 Kazakhs fled to the Astin Tagh area (N 39- , E 93- ) in southeastern Sinkiang, where they were later joined by other anti-Communist Kazakhs from Kansu and Tsinghai.<sup>2</sup> 25X1
2. [REDACTED] more than 3,000 Kazakhs were in the Astin Tagh area, using An-nan-pa (1344/0589/7249)<sup>3</sup> as a base supporting armed anti-Communist opposition in the area south of Tunhuang (N 40-08, E 94-47), Kansu Province. [REDACTED] two regiments of the Chinese Communist 3 Army<sup>4</sup> were engaged in an unsuccessful attack on the Kazakhs in the Astin Tagh area [REDACTED] 25X1

### Communist Anti-Guerrilla Measures

3. [REDACTED] the Northwest Military Area and the Chinese Communist Party Northwest Bureau carried out the following propaganda measures designed to subvert the Kazakh resistance: 25X1
  - a. A Kazakh work party, and high-level, well-known Kazakh cadres were sent to the Kazakh area.
  - b. Anti-Communist Kazakhs fleeing from Sinkiang were given lenient treatment, and an appeal was made to their loyalty, after which they were returned to Sinkiang.

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c. Young Kazakhs were selected to study at the Northwest Academy of Nationalities, and later returned to the Kazakh area.

4. [ ] as a result of the above propaganda campaign, more than 25X1  
300 Kazakhs had defected to the Communists. but more than 1,100 armed anti-  
Communist Kazakhs remained. [ ] the Northwest Military Area 25X1  
supplemented the propaganda campaign with military force. The defected  
Kazakhs served as guides for the attackers. As a result, the majority of  
the anti-Communist Kazakhs moved into Tsinghai Province.<sup>6</sup>

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Comments

1. [ ] Osman himself was taken [ ] Previous 25X1  
information has indicated that the 5 Army was stationed in the Ili  
area in northern Sinkiang. with some elements in the Kashgar area. [ ]

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2. [ ]

Comments

3. An-nan-pa may be Khanambal (N 39-15, E 93-12).
4. [ ] two divisions of the 25X1  
3 Army were in Tunhuang, Anhsi, Yumen, Changyeh and Yungoh'ang.
5. [ ] a conference held by the Northwest 25X1  
Administrative Committee and representatives of Kazakh chieftains from  
the border areas of Kansu, Tsinghai and Sinkiang, in order to  
"consolidate unity."

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